# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# SHIPPING
# LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:262
ANSWERED ON:06.08.2015
Shipbuilding Sector
Maganti Shri Murali Mohan

**Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government is aware that the Indian shipbuilding sector is virtually stagnant now on account of usage of obsolete technology/equipment and mismanagement and if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto;
(b) whether the Government proposes to infuse intensive capital/provide state-of-the-art technology/equipment to the sector and if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Government has held any consultations with some countries particularly South Korea in this regard and if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and
(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to modernise the technology and rationalise the management for sustained growth and development of shipbuilding sector?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING
(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a)to(d): A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (E) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 262 TO BE ANSWERED ON 6TH AUGUST, 2015 RAISED BY SHRI M. MURALI MOHAN REGARDING 'SHIPBUILDING SECTOR'
(a) Shipbuilding industry is a global industry. Hence, the performance of Indian shipbuilding industry has been affected by the slowdown in global economy since 2008 as demand for ships is linked to growth of sea borne trade.
(b)&(c):Suggestions have been received by the Government of India from various stakeholders for promotion of shipbuilding industry. Government of India has taken up the issue of building of LNG vessels in India with the Korean Government so that LNG ships can be built in Indian shipyards with the collaboration of Korean shipyards. Cochin Shipyard Limited has signed a Technical Services Agreement with a Korean shipyard to build LNG vessels in India.
(d) A comprehensive assessment of the modernisation needs of the DPSU shipyards i.e. Mazagon Dock Limited (MDL), Mumbai, Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Limited (GRSEL), Kolkata, Hindustan Shipyard Limited(HSL), Visakhapatnam and Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL),Goa have been made based on the requirement of the ongoing and future projects. Accordingly, the DPSU shipyards have embarked on a comprehensive modernisation programme.

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